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SUBJ: US-USSR ENVIRONMENTAL AGREEMENT: WORKING GROUP VIII - IN-
FLUENCE OF ENVIRONMENTAL CHANGES ON CLIMATE

1. REQUEST AMCONSUL LENINGRAD PASS FOLLOWING LETTER TO DR. YE.
P. BORISENKOV, SOVIET CO-CHAIRMAN, WORKING GROUP VIII, FROM
DR. EDWARD S. EPSTEIN, U.S. CO-CHAIRMAN, WORKING GROUP VIII.
REQUEST EMBASSY PASS COPY TO HYDROMET.

2. QUOTE DEAR DR. BORISENKOV: I HAVE JUST RECEIVED YOUR LETTER
INFORMING ME THAT YOU HAVE AGREED TO HOLD OUR PREPARATORY MEETING
AT LENINGRAD IN AUGUST PRIOR TO THE NORWICH SYMPOSIUM. I AM
INDEED GRATEFUL FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION IN THIS MATTER.

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AS YOU KNOW, THE US-USSR JOINT COMMITTEE WILL HOLD ITS FOURTH

MEETING IN THE U.S. IN LATE SEPTEMBER OR EARLY OCTOBER. THIS WILL TAKE PLACE JUST BEFORE THE JOINT MEETING OF OUR WORKING GROUP. ACCORDING TO THIS SCHEDULE, THE JOINT COMMITTEE WOULD NOT HAVE FOR ITS CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL THE WORKING GROUP VIII PROGRAM OF WORK FOR 1976. AS A RESULT, THE JOINT COMMITTEE MEMORANDUM WOULD NOT INCLUDE TOPICS UNDER AREA VIII FOR IMPLEMENTATION IN 1976.

TO PREVENT THIS, I PROPOSE THAT A REPORT CONTAINING SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATIONS FOR IMPLEMENTATION IN 1976 BE PREPARED DURING OUR MEETING IN THE USSR IN AUGUST. UPON APPROVAL BY BOTH THE U.S. AND THE SOVIET SIDES, I FURTHER PROPOSE THAT THE REPORT BE FORWARDED TO THE CO-CHAIRMEN OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE IN SUFFICIENT TIME FOR CONSIDERATION AT THEIR FOURTH MEETING. OUR JOINT MEETING AT PRINCETON IN OCTOBER CAN THEN BE SPENT IN A FULL DISCUSSION OF THE TOPICS THAT HAVE BEEN APPROVED AND IN VISITING SPECIFIC LABORATORIES AND ACTIVITIES WHERE THE WORK IS TO BE CONDUCTED.

I REALIZE THAT MY PROPOSAL PROVIDES FOR THE ACCOMPLISHMENT OF MUCH WORK IN A SHORT TIME. HOWEVER, I KNOW THAT YOU WILL AGREE THAT IT IS NECESSARY IF WE ARE TO HAVE A MEANINGFUL PROGRAM IN 1976.

I, THEREFORE, SHOULD LIKE TO SUGGEST THE FOLLOWING SCHEDULE FOR OUR AUGUST MEETING: AUG. 6, ARRIVAL OF U.S. DELEGATION; AUG. 7, FIRST SESSION; AUG. 8, SECOND SESSION; AUG. 9, 10, 11, VISIT IN MOSCOW OR LENINGRAD; AUG. 12, THIRD SESSION; AUG 13, FOURTH SESSION; AUG. 14, FINAL SESSION - SIGNING OF WORKING DOCUMENTS; AND AUG 15, DEPART SOVIET UNION.

I WILL PROVIDE YOU WITH THE NAMES OF THE U.S. DELEGATION AND ARRIVAL TIME IN LENINGRAD BY JULY 1, 1975. WITH BEST REGARDS, EDWARD S. EPSTEIN. UNQUOTE. COPY OF BORISENKOV LETTER BEING POUCHED TO EMBASSY AND CONGEN. KISSINGER

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